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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: TECH CENTER 1600/290 Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted. A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.							
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No additional fee is required for amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of to cover the filing fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-3886/RCT A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17. Dated: November 4, 2002 Edward W. Grolz							
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.143

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2002, setting forth a requirement for restriction and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, Group II, Claims 8 and 14-16, drawn to a gene therapy method by employing SEQ ID NO: 20 or homologous sequences having at least 79% sequence identity to SEQ ID NO: 20.

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